

NEFSC 2003 NORTH ATLANTIC RIGHT WHALE AERIAL SURVEY RESULTS

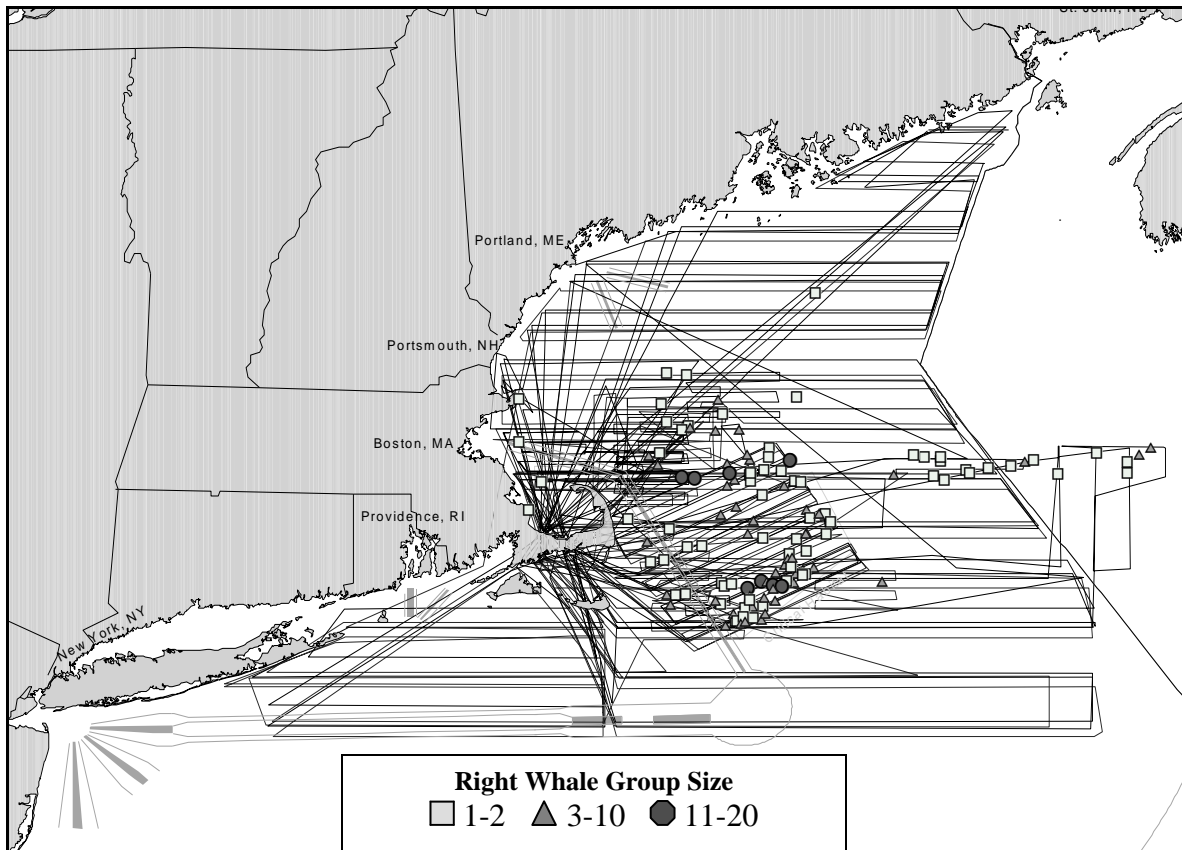
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- ◆ 65 Surveys were conducted from April 3, 2003 – July 30, 2003
- ◆ Approximately 21,972 nautical miles of trackline were flown
- ◆ 14,993 nautical miles (43 surveys) were flown in a sea state of 3 or less
- ◆ 22 Surveys were flown in an intermittent sea state of 4 or greater
- ◆ 484 individual right whale sightings were documented
- ◆ Average group size was 3
- ◆ Maximum group size documented was 20

